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To: All Analysts, D/I
From: Chief, D/I
Subject: East-West Trade in Commodities

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1. Two departments of the Bureau of Foreign Commerce (Department of Commerce) are directly concerned with collection of foreign trade data, including shipments to the Soviet Bloc. Periodically they publish data for each Western country showing shipments by commodity and destination. These reports are available in S/TF (Mrs. [REDACTED] Room 2214 M Building). Foreign trade information more recent than these published reports can be obtained by contacting the Commerce Department directly.

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2. Current commodity information taken from foreign government official reports is available in the International Economic Analysis Division, Room 3059 ([REDACTED] is Division Chief). Miss [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] in this Division are very cooperative and will pull together in a few days all information received since the last published report.

3. Current commodity information extracted from the numerous COCOM reports is available from [REDACTED] of the European Division (Room 3409).

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4. While all documents from which trade data are extracted are probably available in CIA, the Bureau of Foreign Commerce is a handy source for emergency use.

5. Analysts desiring to contact any, or all, of these persons at Commerce should first arrange contact clearances through St/I.

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